

Summary of Recreational Bottom Fishing Regulations for 2003

Northern Management Area

Ocean waters between 40° 10' N. latitude (near Cape Mendocino)
and the California-Oregon Border

Species	Time Period	Depth Limit	Daily Bag Limit	Size Limit*
Rockfish	open all year	none, unless federal harvest guidelines are reached for canary or yelloweye rockfish, at which time fishing for rockfish may only be allowed in depths less than 162 feet (27 fathoms). See sections 27.82 (c) and (d).	10 fish in combination; see sub-limits for yelloweye, bocaccio and canary rockfish	
yelloweye rockfish; canary rockfish	open all year	none, unless federal harvest guidelines are reached for canary or yelloweye rockfish, at which time fishing may only be allowed in depths less than 162 feet (27 fathoms). See sections 27.82 (c) and (d).	1 yelloweye per person, and no more than two per vessel; 1 canary per person. Also included in the 10-fish aggregate rockfish bag limit. Should harvest guidelines be reached for canary or yelloweye rockfish, no retention of that species will be allowed for the remainder of the calendar year	
bocaccio	open all year	none, unless federal harvest guidelines are reached for canary or yelloweye rockfish, at which time fishing for rockfish may only be allowed in depths less than 162 feet (27 fathoms). See sections 27.82 (c) and (d).	2 per person; also included in the 10-fish aggregate rockfish bag limit.	10 " TL
cabezon	open all year	no depth restrictions	10 per person	15 " TL
kelp and rock greenlings	open all year	no depth restrictions	10 per person	12 " TL
cowcod	NO RETENTION		NO RETENTION	
lingcod		none, unless federal harvest guidelines are reached for canary or yelloweye rockfish, at which time fishing for lingcod may only be allowed in depths less than 162 feet (27 fathoms). See sections 27.82 (c) and (d).	2 per person	24 " TL

*See regulations for information on gear restrictions and fillet lengths